

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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OPERATION OF PRIVATE AIRLINES ON INDO US ROUTE

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether United States of America (USA) has not allowed some private airlines to operate on Indo-US route on account of dubious underworld links;
- (b) If so, details in this regard;
- (c) Whether the Government has conducted any investigation in the matter;
- (d) If so, the outcome thereof and the follow-up action taken thereon; and
- (e) If not, the reasons for the delay and the time by which investigation is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) (b), (c), (d) and (e): A reference was received from the Government of United States of America seeking certain information/clarification about an airline designated by the Government to operate to USA. The matter has been referred by the Government for comments of the concerned agencies.